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SUBJECT: GUIDANCE ON PROVINCIAL-LEVEL CONTACT

1. CONFIDENTIAL - ENTIRE TEXT.
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2. CONGEN CHENGDU HAS ASKED US TO FORWARD TO THE DEPARTMENT A REQUEST FOR GUIDANCE ON PROVINCIAL-LEVEL CONTACT WITH PRC OFFICIALS: THE GOVERNOR OF SICHUAN HAS BEEN PLANNING TO VISIT SICHUAN'S SISTER STATES OF WASHINGTON AND MICHIGAN IN AUGUST. DOES THE CURRENT BAN ON HIGH-LEVEL VISITS EXTEND TO GOVERNORS? THE SAME QUESTION ALSO WILL ARISE SOON CONCERNING PLANNED TRAVEL BY VICE GOVERNORS.
3. CONGEN CHENGDU'S VIEW, WITH WHICH EMBASSY CONCURS, IS THAT TRAVEL BY GOVERNORS WOULD FALL INTO THE CATEGORY OF PEOPLE-TO-PEOPLE AND COMMERCIAL CONTACTS WHICH IT IS IN OUR INTEREST TO CONTINUE.
4. DEPARTMENT'S GUIDANCE REQUESTED.
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